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Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Petition of MCI WorldCom to Enforce Interconnection Agreement with

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Docket No. 01-00513

Dear Mr. Waddell:

BellSouth is in receipt of a letter dated February 25, 2002 from Henry Walker on behalf of MCI relating to this matter. In that letter, counsel for MCI makes various arguments based upon BellSouth's request for clarification of the data requests propounded and later withdrawn by the TRA Staff. respectfully disagrees with MCI.

As discussed in the testimony presented in this docket, BellSouth's position in this case is that the contract requires the parties to use a PLU factor, rather than raw data, to calculate the reciprocal compensation due. Accordingly, BellSouth's concerns with respect to gathering and sorting the raw data in response to the data request is completely consistent with BellSouth's position in this docket. MCI's attempt to suggest otherwise is merely an attempt to distract the TRA away from the evidence presented in the hearing. MCI's assertion that BellSouth has "no billing records" to support its contentions in this case is inaccurate and inconsistent with the testimony presented in this case. BellSouth does, in fact, have billing records as described in its letter requesting clarification regarding the data requests. Due to the volume of those records, BellSouth uses summary records. Given that the contract at issue requires the use of a surrogate (the PLU) rather than the actual data, BellSouth's use of summary data rather than the raw AMA

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data is perfectly reasonable and consistent with the testimony in this docket. BellSouth respectfully disagrees with MCI's suggestion to the contrary.

BellSouth remains willing to provide the information discussed in its letter of February 19, 2002 if the TRA Staff decides to pursue this information.

Cordially,

Joelle Phillips

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cc: Henry Walker, Esquire